

General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 500

February Session, 2004

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AN ACT CONCERNING THE IMPACT OF CERTAIN STATE TAX CREDITS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Section 32-1i of the general statutes, as amended by
- 2 section 1 of public act 03-197, is repealed and the following is
- 3 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2004*):
- 4 (a) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development
- 5 shall, by July 1, 1995, develop improved objectives, measures of
- 6 program success and standards for granting of financial and
- 7 nonfinancial assistance under programs administered by said
- 8 commissioner. Not later than January 1, 2004, and annually thereafter,
- 9 the commissioner shall prepare a report analyzing the performance of
- 10 such programs during the preceding fiscal year in accordance with
- 11 such objectives, measures and standards and submit the report, in
- 12 accordance with section 11-4a, to the joint standing committees of the
- 13 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to commerce,
- 14 appropriations and finance, revenue and bonding. Not later than
- 15 January 1, 2006, the Commissioner of Economic and Community
- 16 Development shall develop improved measures of the impact and
- 17 program success for the granting of economic development tax credits
- 18 administered by said commissioner. Not later than January 1, 2007,
- 19 and annually thereafter, the commissioner shall prepare a report

20 analyzing the performance and impact of the economic development 21 tax credits administered by the commissioner in accordance with such 22 measures and submit the report, in accordance with section 11-4a to 23 the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having 24 cognizance of matters relating to commerce, appropriations and 25 finance, revenue and bonding. The Department of Revenue Services 26 shall provide the Commissioner of Economic and Community 27 Development with any information needed by said commissioner to 28 evaluate the impact of such economic development tax credit 29 programs. Nothing in this section shall be construed to authorize the 30 Commissioner of Economic and Community Development to name or 31 list any individual taxpayer who has received a tax credit under a 32 program administered by the commissioner.

(b) Not later than January 1, 2004, and biennially thereafter, the report prepared pursuant to subsection (a) of this section shall include an economic analysis of the performance of programs administered by the commissioner, based on the following criteria, in addition to any objectives, measures of program success and standards for granting of financial and nonfinancial assistance developed in accordance with subsection (a) of this section: (1) The extent to which recipients of assistance in amounts greater than one million dollars have (A) directly or indirectly increased property values in the municipalities in which the recipients are located; (B) contributed to an increased state gross product; (C) contributed to increased state productivity; (D) enhanced other state-funded economic development projects; (E) directly or indirectly created jobs in the state; and (F) stopped or decreased the loss of jobs from the state; (2) the extent to which employees of recipients of assistance participate in health benefit plans offered by such recipients; (3) the extent to which recipients of assistance offer unique economic, social, cultural or aesthetic attributes to the municipalities in which the recipients are located or to the state; and (4) any other qualitative criteria for granting financial and nonfinancial assistance that said commissioner deems appropriate.

(c) The commissioner shall make the [report] reports required under

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54 subsection (a) of this section available electronically by posting such

- the Department of Economic and Community 55
- 56 Development's website not later than thirty days after the date such
- 57 report is submitted to the joint standing committees of the General
- 58 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to commerce,
- 59 appropriations and finance, revenue and bonding.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	October 1, 2004

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